Statement

Sl. No:	Name of the Union Territory	No. of Total Cognizable Crimes reported under IPC during 1-1-87 to 30-6-1987	No. of Total Cognizable Crimes reported under IPC during 1-1-1988 to 30-6-1988
1.	Andaman and Nicobar Island	317	304
2.	Chandigarh	480	998
3.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	238	277
4.	Delhi	13,761	12,623
5.	Daman & Diu	N.A.	63
6.	Lakshadweep	17	N.d.
7.	Pondicherry	1,993	1,061
	TOTAL :	[illegible],140	15,350

NB [illegible]

(ii) [illegible] attained the status of statehood in May, 1987 thus was [illegible] from [illegible]

[illegible]

Spraying of copper fungicides in the rubber estates

21[illegible]. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware [illegible] to indiscriminate spraying of [illegible] the rubber estates [illegible] of 10 years [illegible] content has [illegible] rubber soils, which [illegible] health hazards to the plantation and labourers;

(b) if so, what steps are contemplated [illegible] the dangerous situation [illegible] high copper content of the soils where [illegible] is grown; and

(c) what is the permissible level of copper content in rubber soil and what is the present position in different plantation in our country where fungicides are used?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) to (c) The spraying of copper fungicides in rubber plantation is unavoidable in view of the necessity to control certain serious fungus diseases. The copper residue in certain rubber soil, is reported to have increased from the initial 14 PPM to 77 PPM during the last 8 years. However no health hazards to plantation labourers working in these plantations have been reported so [illegible] level has been fixed for copper content in the rubber soil because it is effective and economical copper [illegible] carried out on plantation crops.

Export of man-made fibre

[illegible]. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any concrete steps [illegible] of Polyester Staple fibre [illegible] and other yarns in view of large unutilised capacity in certain sectors of [illegible] after the [illegible] of export of these items;

(b) whether any export has materialised; and

(c) whether any administrative measures are taken to implement the announced Export Policy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) Exports of Polyester Staple Fibre and Polyester Filament Yarn are allowed within a quantitative ceiling.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Cash Compensatory Support @ 5 per cent on Polyester Staple Fibre and @ 8 per cent on Polyester Filament Yarn has been announced with effect from 8-6-88. The annual ceilings for their exports in the current year have also been announced.